



Ministry of Magic

(Background Study Material and Agenda Guide)

Letter from the EB

Dear Delegates,

It's a pleasure for us to address you briefly before the conference. We would like you all to consider the fact that we are stimulating a fictional committee and one that can be as vast as that of any magical world. Hence, we will have an interactive session which we hope will be full of simultaneous debates and a meaningful resolution at the end. This background guide will only serve as a backdrop to the entire context of the setting. The committee will be dynamic, magical and there will be a series of twists and crises from our side.

Before we proceed to the substantive matter in this guide, we, the chair, would like to introduce ourselves briefly. I am Anushka Dabhade, your Chairperson. Currently pursuing English Honors from University of Delhi. I am a writer by profession and a poet by passion. Harry Potter has been hogging my fantasies since I was 11, waiting for my Hogwarts letter at my doorstep. I have chaired many fictional committees in the past and look forward to my participation, hoping it will add many fruitful lessons in your debating career.

We have Kunal Waswani with us as our Vice-Chair. Currently in his Third Year of College, he is an entrepreneur/businessman by day, and a complete Potterhead by night. He also has read and watched Harry Potter multiple times and states that it has helped him cope with drastic times. After being the Director of a few MUN conferences, he has decided to go for a pursuit closer to his passion of Harry Potter.

In this guide we will be presenting the background of the entire agenda and the context that we will be following. Delegates, please bear in mind that this guide is only your starting point to understand the crisis at hand. Things can turn out dramatically different in committee based on the direction in which the debate goes.

Good luck for the upcoming debate.

We look forward to meeting you when the committee commences.

Warm Regards,

Anushka Dabhade, Chairperson, Ministry of Magic

Kunal Waswani, Vice-Chairperson, Ministry of Magic

Context of the Agenda :

As you already are aware of, the agenda chosen for the committee is -

"Defending the Ministry's Reputation."

It is the time after Voldemort has been defeated. Hogwarts and the whole magical world is dealing with a Post Traumatic Phase where not only infrastructure but people's wills and hopes have been shattered. The Minister of Magic (AKA the Chairperson) feels that it is time for the Ministry to defend its reputation by adopting a few measures which shall be discussed in the committee.

Note : The time period selected for the commencement of the committee is immediately after the Deathly Hallows. Wizards and Witches can refer to any event amidst the committee, excluding those in "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child." Hermione is in line but has not become the Minister of Magic. Voldemort, Sirius Black, Dumbledore everyone is indeed alive. This committee is just a debate stimulating in order to come to a conclusion in peace.

Use of the Three Unforgivable Spells - "Crucio, Imperio and Avada Kedavra" is strictly prohibited. Usage of the above mentioned will lead the wizard/witch to be

disbarred from the committee. Your wands shall be confiscated for the time being if you participate in the committee.

Scenario The Scenario of the committee shall start with chaos. The main antagonist is dead, leaving the magical world in shreds. Everyone is blaming the people in the Ministry, the government itself, for not taking any action sooner and defying Harry Potter and Dumbledore, every time they mention the arrival of the Dark Lord.

The Ministry being corrupt in the past also poses a threat to its credibility. People of the magical world are beginning to lose trust in their government and this may lead to a civil war inside the magical world if not dealt with precision.

At the same time, people are questioning Harry Potter being a sane and accountable leader as he was a Horcrux of Lord Voldemort himself. While his friends stand with him, certain people question his legitimacy and refuse to answer him.

The problems we shall be facing in the committee might depend on the direction of the debate and the participation of the characters accordingly.

Questions addressed shall be like the following :

1. How to defend the ministry's reputation?
2. Should Harry Potter be taken as a threat?
3. Should there be a monarchy instead or a democracy in the magical world?
4. Should the ministry be dissolved?

And many more... .

Character Roles

Each Character for his own. In this committee, characters would be divided into the following factions :

1. Harry Potter and Friends -
It's time Harry Potter and his friends from Hogwarts start their career in the Ministry. They each need to pick a Department and start working. This is a convention for Harry and his friends to choose their departments too.
2. The employees of the Ministry. The employees of the Ministry shall at all times be busy with defending the ministry's reputation in whatsoever manner they can. They shall come up with allegations, objections and solutions to the Ministry's current state. The Minister of Magic's name shall be anonymous and Kingsley Shacklebolt shall be considered an Auror for the sake of the committee.
3. The folks.
These are the normal people who have strong opinions about the Ministry. They may be against the Ministry Or supporting the blind faith in the government.
4. Resurrected ones.
For the smooth functioning of the committee, certain spirits like Sirius Black, Remus Lupin, Tom Riddle (before Voldemort transformation) and many more.

Background to the Ministry

- **Department of Magical Law Enforcement**

The Department of Magical Law Enforcement is a combination of police and judicial agencies. Located on the second floor of the Ministry of Magic. Bartemius Crouch Sr. headed the department before the first book. At the beginning of the series, it is managed by Amelia Bones, who was replaced by Pius Thicknesse after Voldemort murdered her. Thickness was replaced by Corban Yaxley after Voldemort appointed him puppet minister in his regime. The Cursed Child affair put Harry Potter at its head.

According to Rowling, this is the department Hermione Granger joins after the events of Book 7, having transferred from the Department of Magical Creatures Regulation and Control, where she began her post-Hogwarts career.

- **Auror Office**

The Ministry of Magic employs Aurors to track down and arrest dark wizards. According to Minerva McGonagall, the Auror Bureau accepts new recruits with at least 5 of her N.E.W.T. She suggests that Potions, Defense Against the Dark Arts, Transfiguration, Charms, and Herbology are the most suitable subjects for her N.E.W.T. for those wishing to enroll in the training program. Potential recruits must also pass a "series of personality and aptitude tests." Nymphadora Tonks said that the program's courses included "Concealment and Disguise" and "Stealth and Tracking" and that the course was difficult to pass with good grades.

Aurors in the Harry Potter series include Alastor Moody, Nymphadora Tonks, Kingsley Shacklebolt, John Dorish, Frank and Alice Longbottom, Rufus Scrimgeour, Gawain Robards, Hessphaistos Gore, Proudfoot, Savage, Williamson will be According to a 2007 interview with Rowling, Harry himself later joined the department and was eventually promoted to department head.

During the First War with Voldemort, the Aurors were allowed to use unpardonable curses on suspected Death Eaters.

That is, they were allowed to kill, coerce and torture them. Many of the dark criminals in the Harry Potter universe are the first duels sent by the Aurors to arrest them before finally giving up their freedom. Aurors also protect high-profile targets such as Harry, Hogwarts, and Muggle Prime Ministers. In Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, Auror Kingsley Shacklebolt secretly worked on the security details of Muggle Prime Ministers.

- **Improper Use of Magic Office**

The Improper Use of Magic Office is responsible for investigating offences under the Decree for the Reasonable Restriction of Underage Sorcery and the International Confederation of Wizards' Statute of Secrecy. They regulate an under-age wizard's or witch's use of magic and prohibit wizards and witches from performing magic in the presence of Muggles or in a Muggle-inhabited area in the Harry Potter universe. An enchantment called "the Trace" is placed upon children and helps the department detect offences; it breaks when they reach the age of 17. However, Dumbledore explains to Harry that the Ministry cannot tell who exactly uses magic in a given area, only that it has been used. This can be seen as unfair to young witches and wizards who grew up in the muggle-world (such as muggle born wizards or those with one magical and one muggle-parent) as they are more likely to be caught using magic than those who grow up in the wizard world. Those living in the muggle-world generally have no contact with other witches or wizards away from school and the Ministry simply presumes that any magic performed where there is an act of under-age wizardry, while at the same time presuming that any magic performed in a wizard home that has minors present was performed by those aged 17 and over. This means that minors living in the wizarding world are much more likely to escape punishment for their use of magic. A ban on witchcraft at home must be enforced.

- **Wizengamot**

The Wizengamot serves as the supreme court of wizardry, derived from the words "wizard" and "witenagemot." This is a council of powerful people convened to advise and appoint kings in Anglo-Saxon England. The word comes from Old English and means "meeting of wise men" (witan - wise man or counselor / gemot - assembly)

At the Order of the Phoenix, about 50 people attend the Harry Potter hearings, wearing plum-colored robes with a silver "W" embroidered on the left side of their chest. Sitting front row center, he conducts most of the interrogation, with Percy Weasley (Assistant Secretary) acting as stenographer. Other officials found in the Wizengamot include the minister's senior secretary and the head of the Department of Magical Law Enforcement.

Dumbledore was chief of the Wizengamot in his Warlock position for nearly fifty years. He is sacked at the beginning of the novel Order of the Phoenix and resurrected at the end. He remained in that post for a year until he died at the end of The Half-Blood Prince.

Other offices include the Magical Law Enforcement Squad, which pursues day-to-day law offences; the Misuse of Muggle Artefacts Office, headed by Perkins, and the job in which the reader first sees Arthur Weasley; and the Detection and Confiscation of Counterfeit Defensive Spells and Protective Objects Office, created by Rufus Scrimgeour in Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, into which Mr Weasley is promoted, to be its head.

- **Department of Magical Accidents and Catastrophes**

The Department of Magical Accidents and Disasters is responsible for repairing accidental magical damage in the world of Harry Potter. It is located on the third level of the Ministry of Magic and has the following offices:

The Accidental Magic Reversal Squad is a group of magicians tasked with reversing "accidental magic". These accidents are usually caused by young witches and wizards who have not learned to control magic. They can also be caused by runaway old wizards, or heavy and unintended effects of spells or spells (such as wizards being at the target location). For example, when Harry Potter inflated Aunt Marge, two members of the Accidental Magic Reversal Squad were sent to the books and movies Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban. They "depleted" her and erased her memory of her inflation (a modification of her memory done by the Obliviator). Obliviator's home base. "Obliviator" is the term given to Ministry personnel tasked with correcting the memories of Muggles who witnessed events in the wizarding world. They are first called in Book 6, but their practices are mentioned in earlier novels.

Any wizard can use the Forgetting Spell to change the memory of the Harry Potter books. In contrast to the incompetence displayed by the Ministry as a whole, the Obliviators seem to carry out their missions with a near-perfect success rate, making the Muggle world completely oblivious to the magical world's existence. They were ejected in the third book when they erased her memory of the incident after dumping her Aunt Marge.

The Muggle-Deserving Apology Committee explains to Muggles all major magical mishaps by creating non-magical reasons for the accidents. For example, Peter Pettigrew, during an

altercation with Sirius Black, killed 12 bystander Muggles and ripped through the streets with a curse of massive explosions (to reach the sewers and escape). Massive and glaring damage and fatalities were described by the Commission as a tragic accidental gas pipeline explosion

- **Department for the Regulation and Control of Magical Creatures**

As in *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*, the Magical Creatures Regulatory Agency is divided into three divisions (Beast Division, Creature Division, and Spirit Division) and includes the Goblin Liaison Office and the Centaur Liaison Office. increase. The Office, despite being an isolationist, has never interacted with a centaur since the Office's founding. As such, "sent to the Centaur's office" has become a euphemism within the Ministry for someone being fired. Also note that Hermione began her post-Hogwarts career here before moving to this office of the Department of Magical Law Enforcement. Located in the fourth level of the Ministry of Magic.

- **Department of International Magical Cooperation**

At the fifth level of the Ministry of Magic, this division contains the headquarters of the International Magical Trading Standards Organization, the International Law Office for Wizards, and the British seat of the International Confederation of Wizards. The previous leader was Bartie Crouch Sr. until his death. This is also where Percy Weasley started his career at the Ministry of Magic.

This department is functionally similar to the actual UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office and various UN agencies. The responsibilities of the International Magical Cooperation Agency include:

- Collaborate with other magical governments
- Set trading standards
- Create regulations such as shell thickness
- Cooperate with the Magical Games and Sports department at the Triwizard Tournament
- International Confederation of Wizards, British Seat

- **Department of Magical Transportation**

The Department of Magical Transportation is responsible for various aspects of magical transportation. Located on the 6th level of the Ministry of Magic, it houses the following offices:

Floo Network Authority, responsible for setting up and maintaining the network and distributing greenish flea powder. Broom regulation management to control broom traffic. Portkey Office, Portkey Regulation and the Apparition Test Center that licenses witches and wizards to Apparate.

- **Department of Magical Games and Sports**

Considered the most relaxed division, the Magical Games and Sports Division (with posters of the most popular Quidditch teams hanging on the walls) deals with the organization of sporting events such as the Quidditch World Cup and the Triwizard Tournament. Ludo Bagman was the head of the department here, but his gambling problems forced him to run away from his goblin creditors. Located on his 7th floor of the Ministry of Magic, this division includes the headquarters of the Quidditch Leagues of Great Britain and Ireland, the official Gobstone Club, and other sports- and game-related aspects of the Harry Potter universe, the Humorous Patent Office.

- **Department of Mysteries**

The Level Nine Mysteries Department is a department of the Ministry of Magic that investigates specific mysteries (death, time, space, thought, love) and stores copies of prophecies from the Harry Potter Universe. During Voldemort's discriminatory regime, he lied to the Department, claiming that Muggle-borns actually stole magic from purebloods, turning them into "illegal wizards" and allowing their arrest.

Due to the covert nature surrounding this particular branch of the Wizarding Government, the Department of Mysteries can be compared to genuine intelligence agencies such as her CIA and her MI6. However, the division's primary activity appears to resemble that of a scientist trying to uncover the sources and rules that govern magic.

Unspeakables

The Unspeakables are the group of wizards who work in the Department of Mysteries (their identities classified for security reasons). Known Unspeakables include Broderick Bode, Croaker, and Augustus Rookwood who is a Death Eater.

We hope that this background guide works wonders for you as you try to untangle the mysteries of this magical land with a hint of magic and a pinch of logic.